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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Director (Personnel)

SUBJECT : Promotion of Officers of the Military Services

1. On 18 September 1952 the Executive Assistant to the Director advised me that the Agency policy with reference to promotion of officers of the military services on duty with CIA would be as follows:

a. CIA will recommend the promotion of officers in only two cases:

(1) When an officer assigned to CIA has been passed over for promotion by his service, either wittingly or unwittingly, due to his assignment with the Agency and is actually eligible for promotion according to the requirements of his particular service, and when there is definite reason to believe that his assignment to CIA has prejudiced his consideration for promotion;

(2) When an officer is doing a specific job for CIA in an excellent manner and where he could do a better job if he held the next higher grade.

b. The GS position to which an officer of the services might be assigned in CIA, regardless of whether this grade corresponds to his military rank, will have no bearing whatsoever on consideration for promotion.

2. These instructions were issued personally by General Smith today, 18 September 1952, and will be strictly complied with.

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L. K. WHITE

Acting Deputy Director
(Administration)

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